WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1   1.   A method of presenting an image of a receipt to a consumer,
2 comprising:
3   electronically capturing a receipt;
4   storing the receipt at a host computer system;
5   receiving a request at the host computer system from a computer of the
6 consumer to display the image of the receipt; and
7   transmitting an electronic file comprising the image of the receipt for display
8 at the customer computer.

1   2.   The method of claim 1, wherein the receipt comprises a credit card
2 receipt.

1   3.   The method of claim 1, wherein the receipt comprises an image of the
2 consumer's signature.

1   4.   The method of claim 1, wherein the receipt is printed on paper at a
2 point of sale and electronically capturing comprises scanning an image of the receipt to an
3 electronic file.

1   5.   The method of claim 1, wherein electronically capturing comprises
2 receiving a file from a point-of-sale device, wherein the file comprises an image of the
3 customer's signature.

1   6.   The method of claim 1, wherein the file comprises programming that
2 causes at least one credit card receipt item to appear as a selectable link to more detailed
3 information about the item.

1   7.   The method of claim 6, further comprising:
2   receiving a selection of the item from the customer;
3   consulting a database for information about the item; and
4   transmitting a file comprising the information to the customer.

1   8.   The method of claim 1, further comprising:

2   receiving a request at the host computer from the consumer computer to

3   display a categorical listing of items purchased by the consumer, wherein the items are

4   comprised by a plurality of receipts;

5   for each of the plurality of receipts, consulting a database for information

6   relating to each item of the receipt;

7   using the information to sort the items into categories; and

8   transmitting an electronic file from the host computer system to the consumer

9   computer, wherein the file comprises a listing of the items sorted into at least one category

10   for display at the consumer computer.

1   9.   The method of claim 8, wherein the file comprises programming that

2   causes at least one item to appear as a selectable link to more detailed information about the

3   item.

1   10.   The method of claim 8, further comprising receiving information from

2   the consumer computer that defines the at least one category.

1   11.   A system for presenting an image of a receipt to a consumer,

2   comprising:

3   a host computer system; and

4   an interface through which the host computer system communicates with at

5   least one consumer computer;

6   wherein the host computer system is programmed to:

7   receive an electronically-captured receipt;

8   store the receipt;

9   receive a request from a computer of the consumer to display the

10   image of the receipt; and

11   transmit an electronic file comprising the image of the receipt for

12   display at the customer computer.

1   12.   The system of claim 11, wherein the receipt comprises a credit card

2   receipt.

1   13.   The system of claim 11, wherein the host computer system further

2   comprises an image capture device configured to electronically capture receipt images.

1   14.   The system of claim 13, wherein the image capture device is further

2 configured to convert image information captured from a receipt into data, whereby the data

3 may appear in an electronic image of the receipt as a selectable link relating to the data.

1   15.   The system of claim 11, wherein the interface is configured to provide

2 communication between the host computer system and at least one point-of-sale device.

1   16.   The system of claim 11, further comprising a product information

2 database for storing product information that is retrievable via an identifier relating to an

3 item.

1   17.   The system of claim 16, wherein the identifier is selected from the

2 group consisting of UPC and SKU.

1   18.   A system for presenting an image of a receipt to a consumer,

2 comprising:

3   means for receiving an electronic image of a receipt;

4   means for storing the image;

5   means for receiving a request from a computer relating to the consumer to

6 display the image; and

7   means for transmitting the image to the consumer computer.

1   19.   The system according to claim 18, further comprising:

2   means for obtaining product information relating to an item on the receipt.

1   20.   The system according to claim 19, further comprising means for

2 categorizing a plurality of items on a receipt according to the product information.